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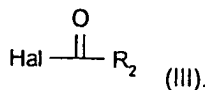
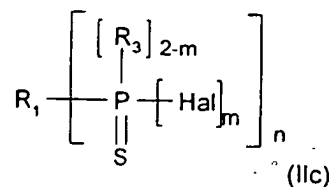
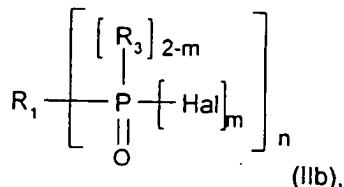
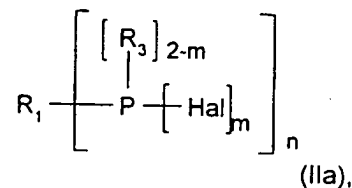
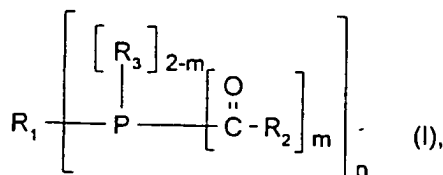
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(54) Title: PROCESS FOR PREPARING ACYLPHOSPHANES AND DERIVATIVES THEREOF



(57) Abstract: The present invention relates to a new, selective process for the preparation of mono- and bisacylphosphanes of formula (I) n and m are each independently of the other 1 or 2; R<sub>1</sub>, if n = 1, is e.g. phenyl R<sub>1</sub>, if n = 2, is e.g. C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>18</sub>alkylene or phenylene; R<sub>2</sub> is e. g. C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>18</sub>alkyl, phenyl or substituted phenyl; R<sub>3</sub> is e. g. C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>18</sub>alkyl, by (1) reacting a phosphorous halide of formula IIa or a phosphorous halide oxide of formula (IIb) or a phosphorous halide sulfide of formula (IIc) with an alkali metal in a solvent in the presence of a proton source; (2) subsequent reaction with m acid halides of formula (III) An oxidation step may follow to obtain mono- and bisacylphosphane oxides or mono- and bisacylphosphane sulfides.

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